

FERC - Office of Energy Projects

Workshop – Regional Droughts & Managing Hydropower Projects

(November 13, 2002) Atlanta, Georgia

8:45 a.m. Arrival & Sign-in

9:00 a.m. Opening Remarks, Workshop Objective & Participant Introductions

(George Taylor – FERC)

9:15 a.m. National & Regional Droughts

(Dr. Michael Hayes – National Drought Mitigation Center) (Dr. Michael Janis – Southeast Regional Climate Center) (Pamela Knox – Assistant State Climatologist - Georgia)

- ♦ drought indicators
- ♦ forecasting and monitoring
- ♦ panel discussion/Q&A's

10:20 a.m. Focus Issue Discussion

1. Drought Mitigation Planning

(Robert Kerr – Georgia DNR, Environmental Protection Division) (Kirk Cover – FERC)

- **♦** coordinating the planning effort
- sources of information
- **♦** open discussion

10:45 a.m. BREAK

11:00 a.m. Focus Issue Discussion (continued)

2. Water – Meeting the Demands of Multiple Users

(Dr. Bud Badr – S Carolina DNR Tom Fransen – N Carolina DENR) (David Poe – Yadkin-Alcoa PowerGen, Inc) (Phillip Lucas – Carolina P&L)

- overview of river basin water needs "across state borders"
- ♦ case study Yadkin & Yadkin/Pee-Dee River FERC licensed projects
- **♦** panel discussion

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m.

3. Hydropower Management – Smith Mountain Project

(Joe Hassell – Virginia Dept of Environmental Quality) (Michael Thacker – American Electric Power Co.)

- flow requirements and meeting water demands
- case study Smith Mountain FERC licensed project
- open discussion
- 4. Flow Requirements and Unique Recreation Issues

 (Denton Lindsay S Carolina Public Service Authority)
 - unique requirements at hydropower projects
 - ♦ case study Santee-Cooper FERC licensed project
 - open discussion

FERC Case Studies – Staying in Compliance (Rebecca Martin & TJ LoVullo – FERC)

- short-term deviation from license requirements
- temporary waiver of license requirements
- ♦ formal license amendment

3:00 p.m. Proactive Drought Initiatives

(Bill Stroud – Duke Energy)

- ◆ cutting edge project management at the Catawba-Wateree FERC licensed project
- open discussion

3:30 p.m. Interactive Session and Workshop Wrap-up

(TJ LoVullo – FERC, Workshop Participants)

- communication and collaboration
- partners for solutions